

County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY

July 2, 2019 7:00PM

Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station 4900 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Administrative Items

Co-Chair Steve Stonehouse brought the meeting to order at 7:00

Item #1: Roll call: Secretary Liz Stonehouse called the roll by name. Steve Stonehouse co-chair, Harriet Taylor co-chair, Daryl Hern, Uwe Werner, Tony Tieber, Judy Tieber, Daniel Diaz, John Taylor, Sheri Todus, Michael Garrod, Michael Clowers, Diane Carter, Mark Kukuchek.

Excused: Shane Parmely:

Item #2: Approval of minutes. June minute corrections: Item #4, rules which govern changed to options for this. And argument changed to discussion. Sheri moved to accept with corrections, Uwe seconded. Vote 14 aye, no noes, and no abstentions. One excused, Shane Parmely. Motion passed

Item #3 Opportunity of members of the public to speak to Planning Group on items not on the agenda. No comments.

Action Item

Item #4: San Miguel Rd. Sidewalk improvement Project. Sambath Chrun project manager DPW presenting:

The idea is to put a sidewalk on the north side of San Miguel Road. The discussion included what to do about a memorial on a property which might be in the way of the sidewalk. To make the sidewalk dg rather than concrete. The project should be before the Board in September and started within three or four months later. The utility lines will remain in place. Mark motioned to accept as proposed, Sheri seconded. Vote: 14 aye, no noes, and no abstentions. One excused Shane Parmely.

Non-Action Items

Item #5: Special Events Ordinance Update, Kenton Jones DPW presenting: The Group was given a handout outlining what various designations of Special Events were. What the Group became interested in were the Medium event where the group has 600 or less participants and a Neighborhood Block Party which is a gathering of 150 people or less and is only for the people in the immediate area. There was also a requirement that these groups get cones and markers from the County for these events. The takeaway from the discussion was that the Group did not feel that Block party groups should have to pay for a permit.

Item #6: Community update: Marshall Anderson presenting. Marshall was unavailable so Marvin came instead. He mentioned that:

The State of Bonita is slated for August 7 at 6:30 at the Community Room of the Library. When the subject of No Commercial Trucks on the North Side of Central Ave was brought up he said that he would forward this concern to Victor.

The ribbon cuttings at the new Community Garden and the Glen Abbey Trail were a success.

Sheri mentioned that the Olive Tree on Bonita Mesa was not a safety issue and now that it had been trimmed everyone seemed happy.

As to the Poplar trees that had been removed from The Pinery part of the area, the trees were found to be diseased and removed. New ones were scheduled to be planted next week.

Item #7: Diane Carter with Trails report.

Supervisor Cox came to both openings. While there are issues with enhancements they will be an educational experience. Mark and Susan Murphy rode to the top of Pike hill. It's a beautiful trail. The Fairy Shrimp Trail will be closed. Fish and Wildlife was supposed to help find an alternative trail, but there are none that everyone agreed to. It turned out that homeowners and Fish and Wildlife didn't want a trail from their area to the SDG&E property. Markings were supposed to be put up but were not. There has been a lot of issue about large trucks at the end of San Miguel Road going over to the power plant. If you are involved, please write to Brian Albright. Sweetwater Authority doesn't want to deal with the loop trail around the reservoir.

A neighbor asked why there were no gaps in the wire rope across the Stephani Rossi along Sweetwater. She cannot get onto the trail from Margaret St. to ride her horse.

Item #8: Formalizing how CPG forms committees. Tony Tieber presenting: Tony suggested that we have three committees, 2 standing, Trails and Garden, and one ad hoc Ace Self Storage.

Item #9 Announcements: Ace Self Storage has been pulled from the Planning Commission. Michelle Chan left last month.

Bonitafest is Saturday September 21. The Twilight Parade is Friday the 20th.

Daryl told us that at the new exhibit at the Museum relatives showed up to the great grandparents. It was quite an event.

Adjourned: 8:33 PM

Respectfully submitted

Liz Stonehouse, Secretary

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Next meeting 7PM October1, 2019

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Community Room